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To: Members of the Judiciary Committee

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Re: H.B. No. 6781 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF THE
UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE TO CERTAIN FUNDS TRANSFERS UNDER
THE ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER ACT

Position: Support

The provisions in HB 6781 are supported by both the CBA and the CT Bar Association. The bill contains language that will conform State Uniform laws on commercial wire transfer activities that banks conduct, to recent federal changes implemented by the Dodd Frank Act. Specifically, the amendment revises UCC4A-108 to provide that UCC4A will apply to a remittance transfer that is not an electronic funds transfer under the Electronic Funds Transfer Act. The amendment then restates the rule of the Supremacy Clause that the federal statute will prevail in the event that there is any conflict between UCC4A and the EFTA.

The provisions in SB 373 have been adopted in 38 states as of last year and we encourage the Committee to support this proposal.